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JANUARY 30, 1829.

Read twice, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Long, from the Committee on Military Pensions, to which the subject had been referred, reported the following bill:

## A BILL

For the relief of surviving widows of certain commissioned and non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, in the Army of the Revolution.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives 1 of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That 2 each surviving widow who was, at the close of the Revolu-3 tionary war, the lawful wife of a commissioned or non-com-4 missioned officer, musician, or private, of said war, and still 5 remains the widow of such officer, musician, or private, so 6 long as she retains such widowhood, and no longer, shall be 7 entitled to the same annuity and payment, to commence on 8 the third of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-six, that 9 her deceased husband would be entitled to under the act of 10 Congress, approved May the fifteenth, eighteen hundred and 11 twenty-eight, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviv-12 ing officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution," had 13 he been living at the time of the passage of said act; to be 14 paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appro-15

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That each annuity al-1 lowed by this act shall, under the direction of the Secretary 2 of the Treasury, be paid to the widow entitled thereto, or her 3 authorized attorney, at such places and days as the said Se-4 cretary may direct; and that no widow shall receive such an-5 nuity until she furnish to the said Secretary satisfactory evi-6 dence that she is entitled to the same in conformity to the 7 provisions of this act; and that the annuities granted by this 8 act shall not in any way be transferable, or liable to attach-9 ment, levy, or seizure, by any legal process, but shall inure 10 wholly to the personal benefit of the widow entitled to the 11 same by this act. 12 Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That such annuities 1 as shall have accrued by the provisions of this act before the 2 third day of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-nine, shall 3 be paid to the widows entitled to the same, as soon thereafter 4 as may be, in the manner and under the provisions before-5

7 the said third day of March shall be paid semi-annually, and

mentioned; and that the annuities which shall accrue after

8 under the same provisions.